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1-15 (cancelled)

- 16. (Currently Amended) An electrochemical sensor, comprising:
- a sensor base;
- a sacrificial insert on said sensor base;
- a first electrical contact and a second electrical contact in said sensor, said sacrificial insert positioned between said first electrical contact and said second electrical contact; and

plastic material on said sensor base and over said sacrificial insert, said plastic material of a formulation which allows removal of said sacrificial insert from said plastic material and said sensor base leaving a capillary channel in said easting plastic material.

17-19 (cancelled)

- 20. (New) The sensor of claim 16 wherein the sacrificial insert is constructed of metal.
- 21. (New) The sensor of claim 16 wherein the sacrificial insert is constructed of stainless steel.
- 22. (New) The sensor of claim 16 wherein the insert comprises a material having a melt temperature higher than the melt temperature of the plastic material.
- 23. (New) The sensor of claim 16 comprising a reagent disposed within the capillary channel.
- 24. (New) The sensor of claim 16 wherein the sensor is adapted to analyze a liquid sample.